

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

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INCIDENT: On-duty hit shooting, suspect deceased
IAB FILE NUMBER: SH 2405395 / FO 2484331
URN#: 016-08468-0250-013
DATE/TIME: June 11, 2016, 1430 hours
LOCATION: [REDACTED] Corona Avenue, Maywood

On June 11, 2016, an Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) Shooting Response Team comprised of Lieutenant Albert Maldonado, Sergeant Paul Valle, and Sergeant Jeffrey Hamil responded to [REDACTED] Corona Avenue, Maywood regarding an on-duty hit shooting.

Suspect Jesus Duran (Suspect Duran) sustained two gunshot wounds to his left arm, and two gunshot wounds to his back. He was transported to Saint Francis Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased. No deputies were injured.

Lieutenant Maldonado verified the East Los Angeles Station Watch Commander, Lieutenant Alejandro Salinas took reasonable steps to ensure the involved personnel did not discuss the incident among themselves or with uninvolved persons prior to being interviewed by the assigned investigators. Lieutenant Maldonado also ensured Lieutenant Salinas knew the involved personnel should not collectively consult with their representatives. Additionally, Lieutenant Maldonado confirmed Lieutenant Salinas ensured the involved personnel remained in the company of a supervisor until they provided statements to the assigned investigators.

Upon their arrival, IAB investigators learned there was an active command post and containment of the crime scene. Investigators learned of the series of events which culminated in the shooting which involved Deputy Eric Chinarian.

Detective Gary Sloan, [REDACTED] and Detective Brandt House, [REDACTED], from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau arrived and assumed control of the investigation. For further information, refer to the Homicide Bureau case book, under URN# 016-08468-0250-013 [Exhibit A].

SYNOPSIS

On June 11, 2016, at approximately 1230 hours, East Los Angeles Station desk personnel received a 911 call from [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]), requesting deputies respond to the location regarding a [REDACTED] disturbance. She stated [REDACTED] Suspect Duran, barricaded himself in [REDACTED], and threatened to stab anyone who opened his door. A call was generated and dispatched to field units as incident #ELA16163-0124 (tag #124) [Exhibit A, page 8].

Deputies Jaime Alatorre, [REDACTED] Jose Cuevas, and Sergeant Dianne Moreno were assigned to the call. Deputy Eric Chinarian added himself to the call at a later time. Witness Moreno was familiar with the location because she talked to the [REDACTED] several weeks prior about a similar incident. Witness Moreno knew the disturbing party, Suspect Duran, was a military veteran, who suffered from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). Witness Moreno coordinated responding units to meet her south of the location to brief them about the [REDACTED] and Suspect Duran.

IAB Note: PTSD is a condition of persistent mental and emotional stress occurring as a result of injury or severe psychological shock, typically involving disturbance of sleep and constant vivid recall of the experience, with dulled responses to others and to the outside world.

While Witness Moreno was briefing the deputies, [REDACTED] Witness [REDACTED] approached her. Witness [REDACTED] informed her Suspect Duran barricaded himself in the [REDACTED] house for several days, and he would not allow [REDACTED] inside. The [REDACTED] were forced to temporarily [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED] broke a window to get inside the location. Once inside, she spoke to Suspect Duran, who was barricaded in his upstairs bedroom. Witness [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] spoke to Suspect Duran from outside the locked bedroom, asking him to come out. Suspect Duran threatened to stab anyone who attempted to open his bedroom door. Witness [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] wanted Witness Moreno and the deputies, who were staged outside, to forcibly remove Suspect Duran from the location.

Witness Moreno advised Witness [REDACTED] that Suspect Duran needed mental health assistance and she would not direct deputies to enter the house to forcibly remove him. Witness [REDACTED] was not pleased with Witness Moreno's decision and informed her she would enter the house and break Suspect Duran's bedroom door down herself with a crowbar. Witness Moreno requested a Department Mental Evaluation Team (MET) unit respond to the location, but no MET unit acknowledged the radio request [Exhibit E/9-11]. Witness Moreno requested fire department personnel respond and stage in the event medical aid was needed [Exhibit E/12].

Witness Moreno formulated a tactical plan of how deputies would contact Suspect Duran, if needed. She designated deputies to various duties, such as radio communications, less lethal force options, lethal force options, and arrest deputies. Witness Moreno and the deputies remained outside the house and continued their discussions with [REDACTED]

Witness [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] entered the house and went upstairs to Suspect Duran's bedroom. When Witness Moreno and the deputies approached the location, they heard loud banging sounds coming from inside. After several minutes, a female was heard screaming. The deputies and Witness Moreno ran inside the house and saw Witness [REDACTED] walking down the staircase saying, "He hit me!"

Witness [REDACTED] Witness Alatorre, Witness Cuevas, Deputy Chinarian and Witness Moreno went up the stairs to the small hallway at the top of the staircase. From there, they saw a bedroom door that was partially broken off the door frame. Nearly half of the door was missing, leaving only the lower half in place. They saw Suspect Duran standing inside the bedroom holding a handcrafted spear, made of a pole with a large knife bound to one end. Witness [REDACTED] who was standing closest to the doorway, fired his Taser at Suspect Duran, striking him in the upper torso. The Taser did not have an effect on him.

Witness Moreno and the deputies took various positions of cover, either in the staircase, the small hallway, and/or the bathroom. Witness [REDACTED] used a ballistic shield for cover and stood to the west of Suspect Duran's bedroom door. Witness [REDACTED] began a dialogue with Suspect Duran in an attempt to get him to surrender without incident. After several minutes of dialogue, Suspect Duran began to walk toward Witness [REDACTED] while still holding the spear in his hands. Witness [REDACTED] fired his Taser at Suspect Duran, striking him in the chest, to keep him from advancing. This time, it appeared the Taser had an effect on Suspect Duran, but he continued to hold onto the spear.

While the Taser was being cycled, Deputy Chinarian believed he had the opportunity to remove the remaining portion of the lower bedroom door. When Deputy Chinarian began kicking the door, Suspect Duran advance toward Deputy Chinarian and Witness [REDACTED] while holding onto the spear and pointing the knife end toward them. A deputy involved shooting occurred.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S LETTER OF OPINION

The Justice System Integrity Division (JSID) of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office reviewed the fatal shooting of Suspect Duran by Deputy Chinarian. In the letter of opinion [Exhibit B], dated July 9, 2018, Head Deputy District Attorney Shannon Presby concluded Deputy Chinarian acted lawfully in self-defense and defense of others.

INVOLVED EMPLOYEES AND WORK HISTORY

Chinarian, Eric Deputy Sheriff, [REDACTED]
Central Patrol Division
East Los Angeles Station

Work History

Date of Employment:
Date Assigned to East Los Angeles Station:
Date Completed Patrol Training:
Prior Shooting incident(s):

December 4, 2006



Equipment Worn On Person

Deputy Chinarian was wearing a Class "A" uniform with a gun belt. His gun belt contained a holster with his duty weapon, one magazine pouch containing two magazines, a can of Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) spray, two sets of handcuffs in cases, and a portable radio within a holster.

SUSPECT INFORMATION

Duran, Jesus Alfredo
Male, Hispanic, DOB: May 10, 1985, 5'11", 148 pounds.



IAB Note: A copy of Suspect Duran's criminal history is included in the Homicide Bureau Investigation Book [Exhibit A, pages 199-202].

WITNESSES



Deputy [REDACTED]
Sergeant Dianne Moreno
Deputy Jaime Alatorre
Deputy Jose Cuevas
Sergeant Frank Parks
Deputy Daniel Gonzalez

INJURIES

Suspect Duran sustained four gunshot wounds. Two wounds were to his left arm; one being to the upper portion of his arm near the triceps and one to his forearm. The remaining two wounds were to Suspect Duran's back. A Laboratory Analysis Summary Report from the Los Angeles County Medical Examiner's office indicated a heart blood sample extracted from Suspect Duran indicated "Presumptive Positive" for methamphetamine [Exhibit A, page 255]. A femoral blood sample extracted from Suspect Duran, tested by NMS Labs, indicated no amphetamines were detected [Exhibit A, pages 256-257].

IAB Note: There are two main types of tests used to determine whether an illegal drug is present in a substance: presumptive tests and confirmatory tests. Presumptive tests are less precise and are usually colorimetric, meaning if the substance is present, the test kit will turn one color, if not, it turns a different color. Confirmatory tests use instrumental analysis to positively identify the contents of submitted material. This typically requires a multi-step process to separate the individual compounds, determine the chemical characteristics of the compounds, and compare them against reference materials to make a positive identification.

For all other medical reports, see [Exhibit A, pages 213-262].

DEPUTY PERSONNEL INJURIES

No deputies were injured.

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

All physical evidence was located and collected by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Scientific Services Bureau personnel. For descriptions of the evidence collected and where it was collected, see the Crime Scene Investigation Reports [Exhibit A, pages 179-184 and Exhibit C].

IAB Note: A sketch of the crime scene [Exhibit C] was created by Forensic Identification Specialist I, Gloria Aldaba, [REDACTED] and Forensic Identification Specialist II, David Ozeta, [REDACTED] Crime Scene Investigation Reports were authored by Forensic Identification Specialist II, David Ozeta, [REDACTED] and Forensic Identification Specialist II, Edna Roches, [REDACTED] [Exhibit A, pages 179-184]. A compact disc containing photographs of the scene are also included with this case [Exhibit D].

DISTANCE

Deputy Chinarian was approximately six to eight feet away from Suspect Duran when he fired the first and second volley.

INVESTIGATOR OBSERVATIONS

On June 11, 2016, at approximately 1630 hours, IAB Lieutenant Albert Maldonado, Sergeant Jeffrey Hamil, and Sergeant Paul Valle responded to the scene. Homicide Bureau Lieutenant Steve Jauch conducted a briefing of the incident then narrated an escorted walk of the scene.

The scene was described in detail by Homicide Bureau Detectives Sloan and House. Their description of the scene was consistent with the initial IAB investigator's observations. The scene was photographed by Scientific Services Bureau personnel. Included in the IAB case book is a compact disc containing photographs of the scene [Exhibit D].

WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY CHINARIAN

Deputy Chinarian fired four rounds of Winchester 9 millimeter ammunition from his Berretta, model 92FS, semiautomatic pistol. The firearm was examined by Scientific Services Bureau Senior Criminalist Manuel Munoz, [REDACTED] The weapon was found to be functional [Exhibit A, pages 194-195].

Prior to the shooting, Deputy Chinarian qualified with his firearm on [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Four expended 9 millimeter cartridge casings were recovered near the top of the staircase [Exhibit A, pages 179-182 and Exhibit C].

WEAPON USED BY SUSPECT DURAN

Suspect Duran was armed with a large handcrafted edged weapon at the time of the shooting. A large military style survival knife was fixed to the end of a black metal pole. One of the knife's edges was sharpened and the other edge was serrated.

PROPERTY DAMAGE BY SUSPECT DURAN

None

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION AND CHARGES FILED

The criminal investigation into the shooting was handled by Detectives Gary Sloan and Brandt House of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Homicide Bureau. No charges were filed.

LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS

The scene was illuminated by some exterior daylight and overhead lighting. The weather was clear and cool.

INVOLVED EMPLOYEE'S STATEMENT

Deputy Eric Chinarian

On June 11, 2016, Involved Employee Deputy Eric Chinarian was interviewed by Homicide Bureau Detectives Gary Sloan and Brandt House at the East Los Angeles Station. Deputy Chinarian was interviewed a second time on April 24, 2019, by IAB Sergeants Paul Valle and Victor Puebla at the IAB office. Deputy Chinarian was represented by Attorney Maureen Okwuosa during both interviews.

On June 11, 2016, Deputy Chinarian was assigned as unit 28, during the PM shift, in the city of Maywood. While he was in the East Los Angeles Station locker room getting dressed for his shift, he heard a [REDACTED] disturbance call (tag #124) being voiced over his portable radio. He quickly prepared his patrol car for duty and logged onto his Mobile Digital Computer (MDC). Deputy Chinarian added himself to the call and began driving to the location.

Deputy Chinarian arrived after several other deputies and Witness Moreno had already been on scene. He believed he arrived nearly the same time as Witness Parks.

IAB Note: According to the Incident Details Report, Deputy Chinarian indicated he arrived at the location at 1346 hours, which was over one hour after the first units arrived.

Although Deputy Chinarian had never been to the location before, he was aware of the problems the [REDACTED] had with a male (Suspect Duran) who resided there. Deputy Chinarian attended pre-shift briefings several weeks before, where they discussed prior calls to the location, and how [REDACTED] said Suspect Duran would barricade himself in his bedroom and threaten to kill them. Deputy Chinarian was also informed Suspect Duran was a military veteran who suffered from PTSD, used methamphetamine, and had access to firearms.

When Deputy Chinarian arrived, he observed fire department personnel were already on scene and the handling deputy was conducting his investigation with

the help of assisting deputies. Deputy Chinarian spoke with the other deputies, who informed him of the circumstances. Suspect Duran had barricaded himself in his bedroom and refused to come out.

Deputy Chinarian stood in front of a neighbor's property, south of the location, with his fellow deputies. He recalled seeing a ballistic shield either near a patrol car or laying on its roof. While they stood by the neighbor's property, Deputy Chinarian heard a female screaming from inside the location. He quickly picked up the shield and ran toward the front door and entered the location.

Once inside, Deputy Chinarian saw deputies run up the staircase, while several male and female adults walked down. He was not familiar with the [REDACTED] and did not know who they were. He saw a male holding a crowbar and heard another male say, "He hit her. He hit her." Deputy Chinarian was not sure if all of the [REDACTED] had exited or if there were other [REDACTED] still upstairs. He did not question them, as they passed him on the staircase, to determine if the person who had been hit exited safely.

Deputy Chinarian stood on the staircase with the shield, behind Witness Alatorre, Witness [REDACTED] and Witness Moreno, who were standing at the top of the staircase. Witness Cuevas stood behind Deputy Chinarian. Witness [REDACTED] began yelling, "Drop the knife! Drop the knife!" Deputy Chinarian then heard the sound of a Taser being shot and cycled. He assumed Witness [REDACTED] shot the Taser because he saw both Witness Alatorre and Witness Moreno holding handguns in their hands, and he could not see Witness [REDACTED]. Deputy Chinarian heard Witness [REDACTED] say something to the effect, the Taser was ineffective. Deputy Chinarian was able to partially see the upstairs hallway and saw Witness [REDACTED] take cover inside the bathroom.

Additional commands to drop the knife were being given by both Witness [REDACTED] and Witness Alatorre. Deputy Chinarian was still standing in the staircase and was only able to partially see the upstairs hallway. He continued to hear dialogue between Witness Alatorre and Suspect Duran. Suspect Duran refused to put down the knife and said he would put down the knife if they (deputies) lowered their handguns. Witness Alatorre tried to deescalate the situation by telling Suspect Duran they were there to help him.

Deputy Chinarian heard either Witness [REDACTED] or Witness Moreno ask for an additional Taser cartridge. Witness Parks, who was at the bottom of the staircase, exited the location to retrieve one. At this point, Deputy Chinarian passed the shield forward to Witness [REDACTED]. Deputy Cuevas passed the additional cartridge forward to Witness [REDACTED] as well.

Witness Moreno asked Witness Parks to request a Crisis Negotiations Team (CNT) unit to respond to assist them. Deputy Chinarian heard Witness Parks make the request over his portable radio. While they waited for the unit's arrival,

Deputy Chinarian heard Witness [REDACTED] speaking to Suspect Duran, specifically about their military experiences. It appeared Suspect Duran was engaged in the conversation and Witness [REDACTED] was building a rapport with him. Witness [REDACTED] asked Suspect Duran if he was hungry. When Suspect Duran said he was hungry and wanted a salad, Witness [REDACTED] said he would get him a salad if he put down his knife and exit the bedroom. Suspect Duran refused to do so. Suspect Duran began to not make sense and said the military was outside waiting for him.

At this point, Witness Alatorre, who was still standing in front of Deputy Chinarian at the top of the staircase, motioned to Deputy Chinarian to move forward and take his position. Witness Alatorre then walked downstairs. Deputy Chinarian stepped forward and took Witness Alatorre's last position, at the top of the staircase next to Witness Moreno. She told Deputy Chinarian he was now the lethal force option.

In this position, Deputy Chinarian was now able to partially see into Suspect Duran's bedroom. The door was partially broken down. The lower half was still intact, in the closed position, but the top half had been removed. Witness [REDACTED] was standing on the west side of the hallway, holding the shield for cover. Deputy Chinarian saw Suspect Duran holding a makeshift spear with an eight inch serrated blade attached to one end. He estimated the entire length of the spear to be approximately six feet long. Suspect Duran held it with both hands, in a port arms position.

IAB Note: The definition of port arms is a position in military drill in which one's rifle is held diagonally in front of the body, with the muzzle pointing upward to the left. In this incident, Department members explained Suspect Duran held a spear in a port arms position and not a rifle.

Suspect Duran, who was standing near the front of his bedroom door, walked eastward and out of Deputy Chinarian's view. Witness [REDACTED] who continued to hold the shield in front of him for cover, held a Taser in his right hand, down by his side. Witness [REDACTED] continued to talk to Suspect Duran to keep him engaged in conversation. At one point, Witness [REDACTED] aimed the Taser into the room and shot it. Deputy Chinarian was still unable to see Suspect Duran, who was somewhere east of the door. Deputy Chinarian quickly walked forward, toward the door, and could now see Suspect Duran standing in the southeast corner of the room, near the foot of the bed. It appeared Suspect Duran was affected by the Taser, partially immobilizing him. Deputy Chinarian elected to break down the remaining portion of the door to gain access into the bedroom. His intention was to enter the room, disarm Suspect Duran, and safely detain him. While holding his handgun in his right hand, Deputy Chinarian kicked the

door two times, but it did not break. He heard the sound of a Taser being cycled at the time he kicked the door.

When IAB investigators asked Deputy Chinarian if anyone directed him to approach the door or kick it down, he said no one did. He thought of the plan himself and quickly reacted to it. When IAB investigators asked him if he told anyone he was going to approach the door and or kick it down, he said he did not.

While the Taser was being cycled, Deputy Chinarian saw Suspect Duran turn toward him and take two steps forward. Suspect Duran was still holding the weapon in both of his hands, in a port arms position. Simultaneously, Witness [REDACTED] said the Taser was not effective. When Deputy Chinarian aimed his handgun at Suspect Duran, Suspect Duran took one step backwards. Deputy Chinarian reassessed and believed the Taser would keep Suspect Duran from walking forward again; however, Suspect Duran stepped toward him again and quickly moved the spear in a swiping motion toward Deputy Chinarian.

Deputy Chinarian was in fear for his life and the life of Witness [REDACTED] who was by his left side. He was afraid Suspect Duran was about to strike him with the blade of the spear and kill either him or Witness [REDACTED]. Deputy Chinarian, who was still aiming his handgun at Suspect Duran, fired three times, aiming at center mass. He held his gun in both hands, and brought it up to the level of his eyes. He could not recall if he was able to view both the front and rear sites of his handgun when he shot. He said it happened very quickly. Suspect Duran was approximately six to eight feet away and facing him at the time of the shooting. Deputy Chinarian could not recall if the Taser was being cycled at the time he shot. He described his rate of fire as steady and consistent, one shot after the other.

Deputy Chinarian believed Suspect Duran fell to his knees in front of his bed. His upper torso and head laid flat on the bed, face down. His head was pointed north and the spear was underneath his body. While Deputy Chinarian continued to aim his handgun at Suspect Duran, he saw Suspect Duran's left shoulder move toward him. It appeared Suspect Duran was about to lift off the bed and jab the spear toward him. Deputy Chinarian fired one more time, aiming at center mass. After the second volley, Suspect Duran did not move again. Deputy Chinarian estimated only a few seconds passed between the two volleys. He was in the same position during both volleys, and believed the distance remained the same, approximately six to eight feet away from Suspect Duran.

Deputy Chinarian described his state of mind throughout the entire time inside the location. He said he was never sure if another person was inside the bedroom with Suspect Duran. Although he saw several male and female adults walk down the staircase and exit the location, he was not entirely sure if the female, who someone said Suspect Duran hit, had exited. Deputy Chinarian's

view into Suspect Duran's bedroom was extremely limited as he stood at the top of the staircase. He could not see if anyone, who could have been injured, was also in the bedroom with Suspect Duran.

Deputy Chinarian estimated approximately forty five minutes passed between the time they entered the location until the shooting. When IAB investigators asked him about the lighting conditions at the time of the shooting, he said although it was dark inside the bedroom, ambient light from overhead lights in the hallway illuminated some of the bedroom. He said he had a tactical flashlight attached to his handgun, but he did not turn it on at the time he shot. When IAB investigators asked Deputy Chinarian if there had been a crossfire situation at the time he shot, he said there was not. Witness [REDACTED] was directly to his left side and at no time did any deputy personnel cross in front of him.

Five scene photographs and a sketch of the scene were used during Deputy Chinarian's interview [Exhibit M]. Deputy Chinarian identified the weapon depicted in the photographs as the weapon he saw Suspect Duran holding. He utilized the sketch to show IAB investigators his position, and the positions of his fellow deputies and Suspect Duran during the incident. Deputy Chinarian utilized a red pen and identified Suspect Duran's locations by marking the sketch with an "X" and a circled "S". He identified Witness [REDACTED] location with a circled [REDACTED] Witness Moreno's location with a circled "M", and his own location with a circled "C".

IAB Note: A compact disc containing the audio recordings of Homicide Bureau's interviews of Department employees was provided to IAB investigators. That disc is included in this case as [Exhibit L].

WITNESS STATEMENTS

[REDACTED]

Witness [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED] was interviewed by Homicide Bureau Detective Sergeant Frederick Reynolds and Detective Eduardo Aguirre on June 11, 2016. Witness [REDACTED] identified himself as the [REDACTED]. He said he [REDACTED] and Suspect Duran.

Witness [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] was a military veteran, who often spoke about his military friends who were killed when they were deployed in Iraq. Suspect Duran was married at one time and had a [REDACTED] son; however, Suspect Duran and his wife divorced after two years of marriage. Suspect Duran suffered emotionally when his ex-wife moved to Germany with their child and never gave Suspect Duran any information as to his son's whereabouts.

Witness [REDACTED] explained how [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were with Suspect Duran. Witness [REDACTED] [REDACTED] approximately two to three weeks prior to the incident, and into a [REDACTED] from Suspect Duran.

On the morning of the incident (June 11, 2016), Witness [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], Witness [REDACTED] along with [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED], went to the location to check on Suspect Duran's welfare; however, they discovered he had barricaded the front door and they could not get inside. Witness [REDACTED] went into the backyard to break open the rear sliding door, but he was unsuccessful. Witness [REDACTED] walked back to the front yard and broke a living room window with a hammer. Both he and Witness [REDACTED] climbed through the living room window and found various items blocking the front door. Witness [REDACTED] saw the front door was fortified with nails and screws, securing it closed. He also found a belt wrapped around the door handle and screwed into the adjacent wall. Witness [REDACTED] removed the makeshift rigging and opened the front door. Both he and Witness [REDACTED] walked upstairs to speak with Suspect Duran, but they found he had locked himself inside his bedroom. When they tried to speak to him, it seemed Suspect Duran did not recognize their voices.

Witness [REDACTED] called law enforcement for assistance, and when they arrived, Witness [REDACTED] spoke to an officer named Moreno (Witness Moreno). Witness [REDACTED] asked one of the deputies to use their tear gas to get Suspect Duran out of the bedroom. After Witness [REDACTED] spoke to Witness Moreno, she (Witness [REDACTED] went back inside the house in order to break down Suspect Duran's bedroom door. When Homicide Bureau investigators asked Witness [REDACTED] what was the condition of the bedroom door before Witness [REDACTED] began breaking it down, he said it was in good condition.

Witness [REDACTED] said Witness [REDACTED] began striking the door with a hammer, but she was having difficulty breaking it. Witness [REDACTED] used the same hammer and tried to break it down as well, but he too was having difficulty. Witness [REDACTED] then used a crowbar, and began to remove pieces of the door, specifically the top portion. Although Witness [REDACTED] removed the top half of the door, he could not see inside because Suspect Duran had draped clothing in front of the door, blocking his view inside. While this was occurring, Witness [REDACTED] was able to speak to Suspect Duran, who continually asked him why he was breaking down his door.

Witness [REDACTED] pulled down the clothing in front of the door, and saw Suspect Duran standing inside the bedroom, five to six feet away, holding a pole with a knife attached to one end. Suspect Duran pointed the knife at him, and lunged toward him, gesturing him to back away. Witness [REDACTED] said at this point, he saw a deputy standing nearby in the hallway.

Witness [REDACTED] walked downstairs while Witness [REDACTED] stayed upstairs. He walked outside and stood across the street, and after nearly five minutes, he heard approximately five gunshots coming from inside his house.

[REDACTED]

Witness [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED] was interviewed by Homicide Bureau Detective Sergeant Frederick Reynolds and Detective Eduardo Aguirre on June 11, 2016. He identified himself as Witness [REDACTED]. They live together [REDACTED].

On June 10, 2016, Witness [REDACTED] and Witness [REDACTED] went to the location because Witness [REDACTED] was informed Suspect Duran had barricaded himself inside [REDACTED] house and her [REDACTED] were forced to [REDACTED].

The following day, June 11, 2016, Witness [REDACTED] went with Witness [REDACTED] and Witness [REDACTED] to the location and arrived shortly after 1000 hours. Witness [REDACTED] told Witness [REDACTED] she intended to force her way into the house. They attempted to open the rear sliding door, but were unsuccessful. Witness [REDACTED] said they all went to the front of the house where Witness [REDACTED] broke a window with a hammer. Witness [REDACTED] and Witness [REDACTED] both climbed through the window and entered the house. Witness [REDACTED] remained outside for approximately five to ten minutes until the front door was opened for him by Witness [REDACTED] and Witness [REDACTED].

Witness [REDACTED] entered the house and noticed it was very dark. All the windows were covered with blankets and the television was covered with cardboard. Witness [REDACTED] saw several cell phone power supplies (AC adaptors and power cords) and pillows neatly stacked in place on the living room sofa. He also noticed the refrigerator was filled with water bottles.

Witness [REDACTED] went upstairs to speak with Suspect Duran. Both Witness [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] remained downstairs. Witness [REDACTED] began to clean the broken glass from the window Witness [REDACTED] broke. While downstairs, Witness [REDACTED] heard Witness [REDACTED] talking to Suspect Duran, telling him the house belonged to [REDACTED] and he needed to leave. Witness [REDACTED] heard Suspect Duran say the house belonged to him and that he worked for the government. Soon after, Witness [REDACTED] heard banging sounds coming from upstairs and assumed it was Witness [REDACTED] breaking down the bedroom door.

Witness [REDACTED] walked upstairs, while Witness [REDACTED] remained downstairs. Soon after, Witness [REDACTED] heard Witness [REDACTED] on the phone with the police. Witness [REDACTED] continued to hear the banging sounds coming from upstairs. He assumed Witness [REDACTED] was breaking down the door. While standing near the front door, Witness [REDACTED] saw deputies arrive, but they waited down the street and

did not make contact with any of the [REDACTED]. In the meantime, Witness [REDACTED] continued to hear Witness [REDACTED] yell at Suspect Duran to leave the house. Witness [REDACTED] saw Witness [REDACTED] come back downstairs, retrieve a crowbar, and went back upstairs. Witness [REDACTED] continued to hear the sound of a door being struck.

Witness [REDACTED] believed the deputies waited down the street for approximately fifteen to twenty minutes before responding to the house. Once the deputies arrived, Witness [REDACTED] heard Witness [REDACTED] begin to scream from upstairs. He saw two male deputies enter the house and immediately went upstairs. Soon after, Witness [REDACTED] walked downstairs and out the front door.

Witness [REDACTED] spoke to Witness [REDACTED] outside. She informed him Suspect Duran attempted to cut her across her chest. She told Witness [REDACTED] he was armed with a pole with a knife attached to one end.

Witness [REDACTED] remained outside, across the street from the location, and after approximately thirty minutes passed, he heard a deputy say, "Put the weapon down," followed by five gunshots.

[REDACTED]

Witness Marisol [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED] was interviewed by Homicide Bureau Detective Sergeant Frederick Reynolds and Detective Eduardo Aguirre on June 11, 2016. She identified herself as [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED] said Suspect Duran is an Army veteran, who was discharged due to a medical disability with his knees, and had been diagnosed with PTSD. Suspect Duran lived with [REDACTED] at the location. Witness [REDACTED] resided in [REDACTED] with her [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED]

Witness [REDACTED] and Witness [REDACTED] drove to the location because she learned Suspect Duran barricaded himself in the house, and her [REDACTED] were [REDACTED] for the past month. Witness [REDACTED] picked up her [REDACTED] from the motel, drove them to their [REDACTED] and arrived at approximately 1000 hours.

Witness [REDACTED] and Witness [REDACTED] went into the backyard and attempted to break open the rear sliding glass door, but were unsuccessful. Both she and Witness [REDACTED] used a hammer to break a living room window. When Witness [REDACTED] entered the house through the window, she found the door had been secured with belts, twine, and wire. There were several objects placed in front of the door, adding to the barricade. Witness [REDACTED] and Witness [REDACTED] removed the objects and opened the front door.

Witness [REDACTED] walked upstairs, called out Suspect Duran's name, and asked him to come outside his bedroom. After a short conversation through the closed

bedroom door, Witness [REDACTED] told Suspect Duran he needed to come out because he needed help. Witness [REDACTED] was with her as she spoke to Suspect Duran though the door and they both pleaded with him to come out of his bedroom for "hours".

Witness [REDACTED] called the Sheriff's Department, seeking help in getting Suspect Duran out of the house. When deputies arrived, they informed her they were unable to force entry into Suspect Duran's bedroom. Witness [REDACTED] told the deputies Suspect Duran was mentally unstable. She asked the deputies to take Suspect Duran out of his room. Witness [REDACTED] said an unknown deputy told her she needed to get Suspect Duran out of the bedroom herself. Witness [REDACTED] asked Witness [REDACTED] for a crowbar in order to break down the bedroom door. Witness [REDACTED] told Homicide Bureau investigators that during her initial phone call to the sheriff's dispatcher, she informed the dispatcher Suspect Duran was armed with a knife and he attempted to stab her.

IAB Note: IAB investigators listened to the recorded 911 phone call [Exhibit E/8]. The following is a partial timeline of the phone conversation Witness [REDACTED] had with the dispatcher:

- 00:25 – A female caller told the dispatcher [REDACTED] threatened to kill her.
- 00:44 – The female said [REDACTED] threatened to stab her if she opened the door. She wanted to inform the dispatcher that if he did stab her, she wanted someone to be aware of it.
- 00:56 – The female was heard conversing with someone in the background and said, "I'm going to open the door!" followed by a single bang sound.
- 01:17 – The female caller identified herself as [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]).
- 05:00 – The dispatcher advised Witness [REDACTED] to stop trying to open the door.
- 24:19 – Witness [REDACTED] told the dispatcher she was going to pry open the door, but then said the police arrived.
- 24:32 – Phone call ended.

Witness [REDACTED] said Witness [REDACTED] used the crowbar to partially break down the bedroom door, which took approximately an hour. While the door was being broken down, Suspect Duran made several random statements such as, "Why are you trying to hurt me?", and, "Stop doing that." Suspect Duran stated he was a war veteran who was only trying to protect Americans and his family.

Once the door was partially removed, Witness [REDACTED] could see Suspect Duran had hung "hoodies" (sweaters with a hood) across the doorframe, blocking her view into the bedroom. The lower half of the door, including the door handle, was still intact. The top half was broken off.

Witness [REDACTED] reached through the door to pull down the sweaters in order to see inside the bedroom. As she was doing so, Suspect Duran attempted to scare her by shoving a "spear" through the doorway toward her, which caused her to scream. She did not actually see Suspect Duran shove the spear toward her, she merely saw the end of the spear coming toward her. Witness [REDACTED] was standing behind her.

Witness [REDACTED] described the spear as being made from a pole, with a "Rambo" style military knife taped to one end. When she looked inside the bedroom, she saw Suspect Duran in a squatted position, holding one end of the spear tucked under his arm, against his body, with the blade pointed in her direction. He was at the foot of his bed, approximately six feet away from her. As Suspect Duran was pointing the spear at her, he told her, "Why are you doing this to me?" Witness [REDACTED] began to cry and told him because she [REDACTED].

At this point, Witness [REDACTED] realized deputies were standing next to her and one deputy was pointing his handgun toward Suspect Duran. She heard the deputy tell Suspect Duran in a loud voice, "Put the weapon down!" Another deputy told her to go downstairs, and as she began to walk, she hesitated because she wanted to stay [REDACTED]. However, the deputies directed her to continue walking downstairs. She was hysterically crying at this point. Witness [REDACTED] walked outside the house, and after nearly thirty minutes, she heard approximately five gunshots coming from inside the house.

Witness [REDACTED] told Homicide Bureau investigators she believed she informed the deputies that Suspect Duran was under the influence of methamphetamine and how he has had mental and behavioral problems, suffering from PTSD. She also told the deputies she had seen large knives in his bedroom on previous occasions.

Deputy [REDACTED]

On June 11, 2016, Witness Deputy [REDACTED] was interviewed by Homicide Bureau Detectives Gary Sloan and Brandt House at the East Los Angeles Station. IAB Sergeants Paul Valle and Jeffrey Hamil were also present. Witness [REDACTED] was interviewed a second time on April 9, 2019, by IAB Sergeants Paul Valle and Victor Puebla. Witness [REDACTED] was represented by Attorney Maureen Okwuosa during both interviews.

On June 11, 2016, Witness [REDACTED] was assigned as unit 26A, during the day shift, in the city of Cudahy. He did not have a partner assigned to him that day. While on patrol, Witness [REDACTED] heard a [REDACTED] disturbance call dispatched to Maywood patrol units, and recognized the address. He had been to the location before and was familiar with the [REDACTED] and Suspect Duran, who was an Army veteran suffering from PTSD, and other mental health problems. Witness [REDACTED] could not recall exactly when he had been to the location, but he estimated it to be a few weeks prior to June 11, 2016.

During that previous call, Witness [REDACTED] assisted Department MET personnel, who were attempting to help Suspect Duran. The MET unit was unable to speak with Suspect Duran during that call because Suspect Duran locked himself in his bedroom, and he refused to come out. Witness [REDACTED] left the scene, but other deputies and a supervisor remained at the location because some of the [REDACTED] alleged Suspect Duran threatened their lives.

IAB Note: Homicide Bureau investigators included in their case book all Incident History Reports related to the location. One incident dated May 11, 2016, ELA16132-0299, appears to be the call Witness [REDACTED] referred to. For details about the call, see [Exhibit A, pages 161-162].

Several days after that call, sergeants conducted pre-shift briefings about the location and Suspect Duran's mental health and drug use problems. During some of the briefings, they were told the [REDACTED] would allege Suspect Duran threatened or assaulted them, as a method to get deputies to force Suspect Duran out of the house.

On June 11, 2016, when Deputy [REDACTED] heard the [REDACTED] disturbance call being dispatched to the location, he added himself to the call and responded. Deputy [REDACTED] recalled the call indicated Suspect Duran threatened to stab the informant with a knife if she entered his bedroom. When Deputy [REDACTED] arrived in the area, he met several of the assigned deputies and Witness Moreno south of the location, at the corner of 53rd Street and Corona Avenue. There, Witness Moreno briefed the deputies about the history of the [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] problems with Suspect Duran. During Witness Moreno's briefing, a female approached them and identified herself as [REDACTED] later identified as Witness [REDACTED].

IAB Note: During Witness [REDACTED] interviews, he did not know Witness [REDACTED] name. She was referred to at times as the [REDACTED] or a combination thereof.

Witness [REDACTED] said Witness [REDACTED] approached and told them Suspect Duran had barricaded himself inside the location for several weeks, keeping [REDACTED] out of the house. Witness [REDACTED] wanted to know how Witness Moreno and

the deputies were going to get Suspect Duran out of the house. Witness Moreno explained to her their legal limitations and how Suspect Duran needed psychological help. Witness [REDACTED] appeared to get upset and told Witness Moreno she wanted Suspect Duran out of the house and she (Witness [REDACTED]) would remove him herself, with or without Witness Moreno's help.

When Witness [REDACTED] walked away from them, Witness Moreno began to formulate a tactical plan and assigned deputies various duties, such as lethal and less lethal force options. Witness [REDACTED] was assigned to be the less lethal force option, utilizing the Taser. Witness [REDACTED] could not recall who was assigned the other positions/duties, but he heard Witness Moreno direct someone to retrieve a ballistic shield from her vehicle.

Once Witness [REDACTED] retrieved his Taser from his vehicle, he and his fellow deputies gathered together on the sidewalk, south of the location. They walked to the front door of the location and remained outside. There, Witness [REDACTED] heard the sound of banging coming from inside. A male exited the front door and identified himself as Witness [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]). Witness [REDACTED] told Witness [REDACTED] that Witness [REDACTED] was trying to break down Suspect Duran's bedroom door. When Witness [REDACTED] looked into the location through the open front door, he saw Witness [REDACTED] and her [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]) at the top of the staircase. They were passing around a crowbar. Witness [REDACTED] continued to hear banging sounds coming from the top of the staircase.

Witness [REDACTED] and a fellow deputy walked away from the front door and back to the sidewalk where they began talking to another [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED] did not identify this [REDACTED] but he said she was [REDACTED]. This [REDACTED] was trying to explain how Suspect Duran made threats of committing a massacre in the city of Maywood. While Witness [REDACTED] began giving the [REDACTED] advice on the eviction and restraining order process, Witness [REDACTED] exited the location, pointed inside, and simultaneously stated, "Help! He's hurting her!" Witness [REDACTED] heard a female screaming very loudly inside the location. Believing Suspect Duran was hurting Witness [REDACTED], Witness [REDACTED] and his fellow deputies ran into the house and up the staircase.

When Witness [REDACTED] reached the top of the staircase, he saw Witness [REDACTED] standing at the top. Witness [REDACTED] directed Witness [REDACTED] to go downstairs. Witness [REDACTED] saw Witness [REDACTED] standing in front of Suspect Duran's bedroom door, screaming. Witness [REDACTED] stood next to Witness [REDACTED] and saw Suspect Duran standing inside his bedroom, in front of the doorway, holding what appeared to be a homemade spear. An approximately ten inch serrated knife was attached to the tip of a long pole. Suspect Duran held the spear with both of his hands, with the blade pointed toward both Witness [REDACTED] and Witness [REDACTED]. Hearing Witness [REDACTED] screaming and seeing Suspect Duran holding the spear in that manner, Witness [REDACTED] believed Suspect Duran had either injured Witness [REDACTED] or was about to injure her. Witness [REDACTED]

immediately directed Witness [REDACTED] downstairs, and pointed his Taser at Suspect Duran, ordering him to drop the weapon. Witness [REDACTED] estimated Suspect Duran was approximately four feet away from him.

Witness [REDACTED] ordered Suspect Duran to drop the spear. Suspect Duran said he would not and he began to step backwards. Witness [REDACTED] fired his Taser at Suspect Duran because he was afraid Suspect Duran would throw the spear at him. The Taser's prongs stuck Suspect Duran's chest. After the Taser completed its cycle, Suspect Duran pulled the prongs from his chest and became angry stating, "Why did you shoot me?" Suspect Duran walked toward the foot of the bed then eastward out of Witness [REDACTED] view.

Witness [REDACTED] removed the spent Taser cartridge from his Taser, and walked away from the front of the bedroom doorway and into a bathroom on the east side of the hallway. He noticed the top half of the bedroom door was partially removed and several items were placed in front of the exterior side of the door. Witness [REDACTED] removed those items and placed them into the bathroom in order to have a better view into the bedroom. Witness [REDACTED] began to hear Witness Alatorre attempt to converse with Suspect Duran. Witness Alatorre told Suspect Duran they were there to help him and repeatedly ordered him to drop the spear.

Witness [REDACTED] heard Witness Moreno call out to someone to bring an extra Taser cartridge. Soon after, Witness [REDACTED] was given a new Taser cartridge and a ballistic shield. Since Suspect Duran had moved to the eastern portion of his bedroom, out of view, Witness [REDACTED] elected to use the shield for cover and walked across the hallway to another interior door, on the western portion of the hallway. Witness [REDACTED] believed he would have a better view of Suspect Duran, who was somewhere toward the eastern portion of this bedroom. Witness [REDACTED] quickly walked across the doorway, utilizing the shield for cover, and stood by another interior door on the western portion of the hallway. Witness [REDACTED] attempted to open that western interior door, but found it to be locked.

After Witness [REDACTED] found the door to be locked, he looked into Suspect Duran's bedroom and saw him standing in the south east corner of his bedroom. When Witness [REDACTED] and Suspect Duran both looked at each other, Suspect Duran smiled and asked, "Sergeant Elias, is that you?" Witness [REDACTED] believed Suspect Duran thought he (Witness [REDACTED]) was someone he recognized from the military. Witness [REDACTED] used this as an advantage. He began to converse with Suspect Duran as "Sergeant Elias" in an attempt to build a rapport with him, and to convince him to disarm himself.

While Witness [REDACTED] continued to converse with Suspect Duran, he saw the room was cluttered with bags of chips and water bottles. During this conversation, Suspect Duran still held onto the spear in a port arms position. Witness [REDACTED] noticed Suspect Duran appeared very thin, as though he had not eaten for a while. He asked Suspect Duran when the last time he had eaten,

slept, or had his medication. Suspect Duran said he was on a secret mission, and soldiers do not need to eat. Witness [REDACTED] told Suspect Duran they were there to help him and fire department personnel were outside to take him to the hospital.

Witness [REDACTED] continued this dialogue, but Suspect Duran refused to drop the spear or accept any help that was being offered to him. Suspect Duran showed Witness [REDACTED] a picture of his son. When Witness [REDACTED] began asking questions about his son, Suspect Duran became emotional, on the verge of crying, then he became angry.

Suspect Duran began to walk westward, along the foot of the bed, toward Witness [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED] still held the shield in front of him as cover, with his Taser in his right hand at the ready. As Suspect Duran continued to walk toward him holding onto the spear, Witness [REDACTED] became afraid for his safety. When Suspect Duran was approximately four to five feet away, Witness [REDACTED] quickly distracted Suspect Duran by asking him about an item that was hanging on a wall. As Suspect Duran looked away, Witness [REDACTED] pointed his Taser at Suspect Duran's center mass and fired it.

Witness [REDACTED] saw the Taser darts hit Suspect Duran in the upper torso, and while it cycled, Witness [REDACTED] saw it effected Suspect Duran. Suspect Duran's body began to shake while he maintained a hold of the spear. Suspect Duran stepped backwards, toward the east bedroom wall. He hunched over and stumbled over items against the wall. Witness [REDACTED] believed the Taser was immobilizing him. He told his partners something to the effect that Suspect Duran was down.

While Witness [REDACTED] continued to aim and cycle the Taser at Suspect Duran, he (Witness [REDACTED]) saw a deputy (later identified as Deputy Chinarian), approach the bedroom doorway, and began to kick the remaining portion of the door. As Deputy Chinarian was kicking the door, Witness [REDACTED] continued to activate the Taser in an effort to keep Suspect Duran from charging them with the spear. He believed the Taser was having an effect on Suspect Duran's inability to move. However, Witness [REDACTED] saw Suspect Duran fight through the effects of the Taser by walking forward toward him and Deputy Chinarian. For a moment, Witness [REDACTED] considered dropping the Taser, but elected to keep pulling the Taser's trigger to keep Suspect Duran from gaining full strength. Witness [REDACTED] yelled out several times for Suspect Duran to drop the spear, but he did not.

Suspect Duran, who was still holding onto the spear at port arms, reached the foot of the bed. Deputy Chinarian stepped backward away from the doorway, and stood to Witness [REDACTED] right. Witness [REDACTED] said the weight of the shield in his left hand was getting heavy, and the wall behind him kept him from retreating. He was scared Suspect Duran would stab him and or Deputy Chinarian.

Witness [REDACTED] saw Deputy Chinarian, who was still standing to his right, shoot three to five times at Suspect Duran with his handgun, hitting him in center mass. Suspect Duran was still holding onto the spear at the time of the shooting. After being shot, Suspect Duran spun to his right side, falling to his knees with his upper torso lying face down on the foot of the bed. Suspect Duran fell on top of the spear, which remained underneath his upper torso. Witness [REDACTED] saw Suspect Duran's upper body move. He believed Suspect Duran was about to rear up and jab the spear toward them. Deputy Chinarian shot one additional round at Suspect Duran. Witness [REDACTED] could not recall how many shots Deputy Chinarian fired in each volley, but he estimated he fired three to six times in total. Witness [REDACTED] said there was a slight pause in between the two volleys. Witness [REDACTED] estimated Suspect Duran was approximately four to six feet away from Deputy Chinarian when he was shot.

After the gunfire subsided, Witness [REDACTED] believed he gave Suspect Duran additional commands to drop the spear, but Suspect Duran did not respond. Witness [REDACTED] was not sure if Suspect Duran was completely incapacitated by the gunfire, or pretending to be injured. He believed once the Taser's cycle ended, Suspect Duran would attack them. Witness [REDACTED] cycled the Taser one additional time, which caused Suspect Duran's body to tremble. Witness [REDACTED] believed the threat had been stopped.

Witness [REDACTED] walked downstairs and out to the east sidewalk. Fire department personnel were staged nearby and immediately entered the location to render aid to Suspect Duran.

IAB Note: The data from the Taser Witness [REDACTED] used during the incident was made available by the Scientific Services Bureau in an activity report. According to the report, the Taser was activated four times on June 11, 2016, between 1410 hours and 1430 hours. For detailed information, see the report [Exhibit K].

Three scene photographs and a sketch of the scene were used during Witness [REDACTED] interview [Exhibit F]. Witness [REDACTED] identified the weapon in the photographs as the one he saw Suspect Duran holding. He utilized the sketch to show IAB investigators his position, and the positions of his fellow deputies and Suspect Duran during the incident. Witness [REDACTED] utilized a red pen to identify Suspect Duran's locations and movements by marking the sketch with circles and lines. Witness [REDACTED] identified his, Witness Moreno's, and Deputy Chinarian's locations with "X's".

Sergeant Dianne Moreno

On June 11, 2016, Witness Sergeant Dianne Moreno was interviewed by Homicide Bureau Detectives Gary Sloan and Brandt House at the East Los

Angeles Station. IAB Sergeants Paul Valle and Jeffrey Hamil were also present. Witness Moreno was interviewed a second time on April 24, 2019, by IAB Sergeants Paul Valle and Victor Puebla. Witness Moreno was represented by Attorney Maureen Okwuosa during both interviews.

On June 11, 2016, Witness Moreno was assigned as unit 20S, a field supervisor. That afternoon, she was dispatched to the location regarding a [REDACTED] disturbance call, tag #124. Witness Moreno recognized the location and was familiar with the [REDACTED] who had been having difficulty with [REDACTED] Suspect Duran. He was an Army veteran who suffered from PTSD and used methamphetamine. Witness Moreno remembered a previous call for service which occurred on May 10, 2016, at the same location. Although she was not the assigned supervisor during that particular call, she responded to relieve the assigned sergeant during shift change. When Witness Moreno arrived to make her shift relief, she was advised by the sergeant that the call was handled to conclusion, and they could no longer help the [REDACTED] with Suspect Duran. Witness Moreno was informed Suspect Duran had locked himself in his bedroom and refused to come out. The [REDACTED] wanted deputies to enter the house and force him out; however, no crime had been committed. The deputies who handled the call informed the [REDACTED] that Suspect Duran needed psychological help rather than law enforcement's help. All Department personnel left the location.

IAB Note: According to Department records [Exhibit A, pages 155-178], there were no calls for service dispatched to the location on May 10, 2016. There were two calls dispatched to the location on May 11, 2016, and two additional calls dispatched on May 12, 2016 [Exhibit A, pages 158-159 and pages 161-162].

Later that same shift, Witness Moreno received a phone call from the East Los Angeles Station watch commander. The watch commander asked Witness Moreno to call Suspect Duran's [REDACTED] who had been calling the station for help with Suspect Duran. Witness Moreno called [REDACTED] and explained to her the limitations law enforcement had when dealing with a person with mental health problems, and suggested she seek psychological help for him. Before ending the phone call with [REDACTED] Witness Moreno told her she would seek the advice of military veterans she knew to see if they could suggest anything.

Soon after, Witness Moreno received a phone call from MET Deputy Erik Albano, [REDACTED]. She informed Deputy Albano of the situation, and asked him for advice and or help for Suspect Duran and the [REDACTED]. Deputy Albano agreed to respond to see what could be done. Witness Moreno's understanding was when Deputy Albano arrived to the location, he would request an East Los Angeles Station sergeant to be present; however, Deputy Albano responded to the location

without notifying a sergeant. Witness Moreno was later notified by Deputy Albano that he had visited the family, but he was unable to communicate with Suspect Duran, who was locked inside his bedroom.

The following day, May 11, 2016, Witness Moreno learned [REDACTED] filed a crime report at Norwalk Sheriff's Station, listing Suspect Duran as a suspect of criminal threats, LASD file #916-06524-0461-339 [Exhibit A, pages 38-42]. Witness Moreno now believed law enforcement could intervene since Suspect Duran was a named suspect to a crime. Witness Moreno asked the [REDACTED] to respond to the East Los Angeles Station to discuss the allegations with station detectives. Detectives interviewed [REDACTED] who admitted she was non-desirous of prosecution against [REDACTED] Suspect Duran. [REDACTED] only wanted him to get help for his mental health problems. [REDACTED] signed a Complaint Refusal on Victim's Request form, indicating she wanted all action related to the complaint to stop [Exhibit A, page 36].

IAB Note: For additional information related to the detective's interview with [REDACTED] see entire case [Exhibit A, pages 34-50].

Contemplating about possible future calls for service at the location, Witness Moreno directed station personnel to add a [REDACTED] into the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system. She wanted any personnel who would respond to the location in the future, to have important information about Suspect Duran and his mental health. She also wanted to ensure a field sergeant responds with deputies to those calls.

IAB Note: The CAD system is a computer system which communicates with MDC units. Station desk personnel inputs information about a call for service into the CAD system, and then sends (dispatch) the call for service to the MDC units in patrol vehicles.

IAB Note: IAB investigators acquired a screenshot of the CAD [REDACTED] associated to the location from Sheriff's Communication Center (SCC). According to the screenshot, the information was inputted on May 11, 2016, by Deputy Edelmira Parra. The narrative partially read Suspect Duran suffered from PTSD [Exhibit G].

On June 11, 2016, Witness Moreno heard a call dispatched to the location. The call described a [REDACTED] disturbance was occurring and the [REDACTED] was being threatened. Witness Moreno added herself to the call and asked station desk personnel to forward her the informant's phone number, who was Witness [REDACTED]. While Witness Moreno drove to the location, she called Witness [REDACTED] who did not answer the phone call. Witness Moreno left a voice message

and gave her cell phone number to call back. Witness Moreno communicated with the responding deputies, via the [REDACTED] frequency, and directed them to meet south of the location, at 53rd Street and Corona Avenue, before responding to the location [Exhibit E/3].

Once Witness Moreno arrived, she contacted the deputies to brief them on the [REDACTED] history and current situation with Suspect Duran. While speaking to the deputies, [REDACTED] including Witness [REDACTED] walked over and began talking to them, voicing their concerns about Suspect Duran, who had barricaded himself in the house. They were unable to open any of the doors or windows to the location. Suspect Duran's [REDACTED] informed Witness Moreno she was unable to enter [REDACTED] house for the last few weeks and how she and her [REDACTED] had been [REDACTED]

Witness [REDACTED] told Witness Moreno she had broken a window to the house, and was intending to break down the door to get inside. Witness Moreno told Witness [REDACTED] she would not stop her as long as she had [REDACTED] permission. Witness Moreno video recorded part of her conversation with [REDACTED] and had her sign a consent form in the event they needed to enter the location [Exhibit H/VIDEO INTRVW SPANISH].

While Witness Moreno and the deputies were still standing outside the location, Witness Moreno heard loud banging sounds coming from inside. At one point, Witness [REDACTED] exited the front door and asked the group of deputies if he could borrow their pepper spray to use against Suspect Duran. Witness Moreno told him they would not let him use their spray. Soon after, Witness Moreno heard one of the [REDACTED] say someone was going to get an axe. At this point, Witness Sergeant Frank Parks arrived. Both Witness Moreno and Witness Parks warned the [REDACTED] they would not allow anyone to use the axe to victimize anyone else.

Witness Moreno requested fire department personnel to respond and stage nearby in preparation if medical aid was needed. She also directed someone to request a MET unit via SCC. After several minutes passed, Witness Moreno was informed there was no MET unit available to respond.

IAB Note: According to SCC dispatch recordings and timestamps, unit 28 voiced a request for a MET unit at 1302 hours. At 1303 hours, the SCC dispatcher requested any MET unit to switch to the East Los Angeles Station's frequency. There was no acknowledgement. At 1304 hours, the SCC dispatcher again requested any MET unit to switch to the frequency. There still was no acknowledgement. At 1304 hours, SCC advised unit 28 there was no response to his request [Exhibit E/9-11].

IAB Note: According to SCC dispatch recordings and timestamps, unit 28 voiced a request at 1342 hours for fire department personnel to respond to the location [Exhibit E/12].

Witness Moreno called East Los Angeles Station Watch Commander Lieutenant Alejandro Salinas. She informed him what was occurring at the location and how she and the deputies were going to merely keep the peace amongst the [REDACTED].

IAB Note: Witness Moreno's phone call to Lieutenant Salinas was recorded [Exhibit E/Call for service]. According to the timestamp, the phone call was made at 1258 hours. Witness Moreno informed Lieutenant Salinas that Suspect Duran had not committed a crime and she was merely intending to keep the peace between the [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. Lieutenant Salinas advised her to stay outside of the location until a crime, if any, occurred. He also advised her to request a MET unit to respond.

Witness Moreno began assigning deputies duties in the event they needed to enter the location for an emergency. She assigned Deputy [REDACTED] to be the less lethal force option with a Taser. Although she did not remember all of the other assignments, she directed Deputy Daniel Gonzalez (Witness Gonzalez) to retrieve a ballistic shield and have it next to them at the front of the location. At one point, fire department personnel arrived. Witness Moreno spoke to the fire department captain, who informed her he was familiar with the [REDACTED] and Suspect Duran. The captain said they were unable to help Suspect Duran since he had psychological problems.

When the fire captain informed Witness Moreno they were going to leave, Witness Moreno informed Witness Parks they too should leave. At this point, Witness Moreno heard a female scream from inside the location and yelled, "He hit me! He hit me!" Witness Moreno saw deputies enter the location through the front door and run up the staircase to the second floor. When Witness Moreno reached the bottom of the staircase, she heard the sound of a Taser being fired and cycled from the top of the staircase. While Witness Moreno was walking up the staircase behind other deputies, Witness [REDACTED] passed her walking down the staircase. He had a pale, fearful expression on his face. Witness [REDACTED] also passed her walking down the staircase. She too appeared to be frightened and she said, "He hit me! He hit me!" When Witness Moreno reached the top of the staircase, she looked toward Suspect Duran's bedroom and saw him standing in the doorway, holding a makeshift spear. It was at this point Witness Moreno truly believed Suspect Duran may have assaulted both Witness [REDACTED] and Witness [REDACTED] based on their expressions of fear, and when Witness [REDACTED] yelled out, "He hit me!"

Witness Moreno could partially see Suspect Duran standing inside his bedroom, in front of the bedroom door. He was holding a spear in his right hand, down by his side. The tip of the spear was pointed toward them and the blunt end was pointed behind him.

Witness Moreno directed Witness [REDACTED] to seek cover in the bathroom, east of Suspect Duran's bedroom. Witness Alatorre stood by her at the top of the staircase. Suspect Duran was upset because Witness [REDACTED] shot him with the Taser. Witness [REDACTED] began talking to Suspect Duran while standing in the bathroom, behind cover. Witness Moreno asked for the ballistic shield to be brought upstairs along with an additional Taser cartridge.

Once the Taser cartridge and shield were given to Witness [REDACTED] Witness Moreno saw him walk across the hallway to the western side. IAB investigators asked Witness Moreno if she directed Witness [REDACTED] to move to that western position, or if he did it on his own. She said Witness [REDACTED] did it on his own. She believed since Witness [REDACTED] was conversing with Suspect Duran, trying to build a rapport with him, he moved to that position to have a better view inside the bedroom and of Suspect Duran's actions.

At one point, Witness Alatorre walked downstairs and Deputy Chinarian immediately took his position next to Witness Moreno at the top of the staircase. Witness Moreno could not recall if Witness Alatorre told her he would walk away; however, Deputy Chinarian immediately took his position. At that point, Witness Moreno made it clear to Deputy Chinarian he was the lethal force option and Witness [REDACTED] was still the less lethal force option.

Witness Moreno continued to hear Witness [REDACTED] and Suspect Duran converse. At times, Suspect Duran calmed down. It appeared Witness [REDACTED] was making progress, connecting with Suspect Duran so he would ultimately disarm himself and surrender. At other times, Suspect Duran became angry, but then he would calm down. Witness Moreno could not estimate how much time elapsed while Witness [REDACTED] tried to deescalate the situation. She merely said a significant amount of time passed as Witness [REDACTED] tried to deescalate the situation and have Suspect Duran surrender.

Witness Moreno knew she did not want deputies to remain upstairs much longer. She considered directing them out of the house if they were not making any progress in communicating with Suspect Duran. However, Witness [REDACTED] was still talking to him and at times it appeared the situation was becoming favorable for all of them, including Suspect Duran.

Witness Moreno thought of calling Special Enforcement Bureau (SEB) to respond to assist. Although she never told anyone to call SEB, she instructed deputies to call the CNT. Witness Moreno heard Witness Parks conduct a radio broadcast, asking SCC to have a CNT unit respond to the location.

IAB Note: According to SCC dispatch recordings and timestamps, unit 21S asked the SCC dispatcher at 1414 hours for a CNT unit to respond to the location. The SCC dispatcher acknowledged his request. At 1415 hours, the SCC dispatcher advised East Los Angeles Station desk personnel they were calling headquarters for a CNT unit [Exhibit E/15-16].

At one point, Witness Moreno saw Witness [REDACTED] shoot his Taser into the bedroom. She saw Deputy Chinarian walk up to the bedroom door and he began kicking the remaining lower portion of the door while the Taser was cycling. Witness Moreno was unable to see into the bedroom because both Deputy Chinarian and Witness [REDACTED] were standing in front of her. She told Witness [REDACTED] to continue to cycle the Taser in an attempt to keep Suspect Duran incapacitated, and/or to drop his weapon. She believed she told Witness [REDACTED] twice to keep cycling the Taser. When IAB investigators asked Witness Moreno if she directed Deputy Chinarian to kick down the door, she said she did not. She believed that while the Taser was being cycled, she may have told Witness [REDACTED] and Deputy Chinarian to apprehend Suspect Duran.

While both Witness [REDACTED] and Deputy Chinarian were standing in front of her, she saw Deputy Chinarian shoot his gun into the bedroom. She did not see Suspect Duran at the time of the shooting. Witness Moreno heard two quick shots, a slight pause, and then one additional shot. She said she did not see a crossfire situation at any time.

Once the gunfire subsided, Witness Moreno directed both Witness [REDACTED] and Deputy Chinarian downstairs. She said Witness Alatorre came back upstairs and assisted her with monitoring Suspect Duran, who was unresponsive. Witness Moreno asked for fire department personnel, who were staged outside, to come upstairs to treat Suspect Duran. Witness Moreno believed Witness Alatorre reached into the bedroom and pulled the spear away from Suspect Duran. When the fire department personnel came upstairs, they pulled Suspect Duran out of the bedroom and onto the upstairs hallway floor where they treated him. Witness Moreno stated Suspect Duran was never handcuffed.

Three scene photographs and a sketch of the scene were used during Witness Moreno's interview [Exhibit I]. Witness Moreno identified the weapon depicted in the photographs, as the weapon she saw Suspect Duran holding. She utilized the sketch to show IAB investigators her position, and the positions of the deputies and Suspect Duran during the incident. Witness Moreno utilized a red pen to identify Suspect Duran's location by marking the sketch with an "S". She identified Witness [REDACTED] locations with an [REDACTED] and his movement with a dotted line. Witness Moreno identified her location with an "X" and Witness Alatorre's location with an "A".

Deputy Jaime Alatorre

On June 11, 2016, Witness Deputy Jaime Alatorre was interviewed by Homicide Bureau Detectives Gary Sloan and Brandt House at the East Los Angeles Station. IAB Sergeants Paul Valle and Jeffrey Hamil were also present. Witness Alatorre was interviewed a second time on April 9, 2019, by IAB Sergeants Paul Valle and Victor Puebla at the IAB office. Witness Alatorre was represented by Attorney Maureen Okwuosa during both interviews.

On June 11, 2016, Witness Alatorre was assigned to a one-person car, unit 28, during the day shift. He was dispatched to a [REDACTED] disturbance call (tag #124) as the handling unit. Witness Alatorre recognized the address from pre-shift briefings he attended, wherein he was informed about the [REDACTED] who was having trouble with their [REDACTED]. He was told about the amount of calls for service that were generated for that location and [REDACTED]. Witness Alatorre could not recall additional details about the information he was told in the briefings.

Witness Alatorre and the other deputies assigned to the call responded to Corona Avenue and 53rd Street to meet with the field sergeant, Witness Moreno. Both Witness Moreno and Witness [REDACTED] briefed the group of deputies about Suspect Duran, and how he was an Army veteran who suffered from PTSD. Witness Moreno informed Witness Alatorre she had been to the location before and that in the past, the [REDACTED] reported Suspect Duran had threatened them. Witness Alatorre did not know what happened, if anything, with that incident.

While staged at Corona Avenue and 53rd Street, Witness Moreno formulated a tactical plan in the event they needed to make contact with Suspect Duran. She assigned deputies various duties, and assigned him as the lethal force option, and Witness [REDACTED] as the less lethal force option with a Taser. He could not recall the other assignments, but he remembered a ballistic shield was brought to the location.

While Witness Moreno was assigning duties, two women began speaking to Witness Moreno and the group of deputies. They were [REDACTED] who informed them Suspect Duran barricaded himself inside his bedroom and locked their [REDACTED] out of the house. Witness Alatorre said the group of deputies tried to explain their limitations and that they (deputies) would not break down the bedroom door to get him out. Witness Alatorre said a [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED] became upset and said she would break down Suspect Duran's bedroom door and force him out on her own.

Witness Alatorre and the group of deputies walked to the location, but remained outside, one house south of the location. He saw Witness [REDACTED] and her [REDACTED] Witness [REDACTED] walk in and out of the house through the front door. Witness Alatorre heard banging sounds coming from inside the location as if

someone was hitting a wall. The group of deputies remained outside and did not enter. Witness Alatorre recalled fire department personnel and a MET unit were requested to respond to the location; however, the MET unit was unavailable.

While Witness Alatorre remained outside, he heard a female screaming inside. Immediately thereafter, a male (Witness [REDACTED]) exited through the front door, pointed inside, and said something to the effect, Suspect Duran hurt Witness [REDACTED] or was hurting her. Believing an assault had occurred or was occurring, Witness Alatorre and his fellow deputies entered the location to locate Witness [REDACTED] and assist her.

Witness Alatorre saw Witness [REDACTED] was the first deputy to run up the staircase. Witness [REDACTED] had a Taser and ballistic shield with him. Witness Alatorre believed he was the third deputy up the staircase. He saw Witness [REDACTED] walk down the staircase, passing him. She was visibly upset and was screaming. Witness Alatorre believed she was injured merely by the way she was screaming.

Witness Alatorre recalled when he was walking up the staircase, he heard the sound of a Taser being fired and cycled. When he reached the top of the staircase, he stopped and stood at the top step, using the north staircase wall for cover. When Witness Alatorre looked toward Suspect Duran's bedroom, he saw nearly three quarters of the door had been broken off. Witness Alatorre saw Suspect Duran standing inside his bedroom in front of the door. He was holding onto a long black pole with a large knife attached to one end. Suspect Duran held it in his right hand with the pole portion pressed against his right rib cage and right arm. The knife end was pointed toward Witness Alatorre and the other deputies. Witness Alatorre told Suspect Duran they were there to help him and repeatedly told him to drop the weapon. Suspect Duran refused to drop it and said he was using it to protect himself.

Witness Alatorre saw Witness [REDACTED] who had the ballistic shield, standing in the hallway, southwest of Suspect Duran's bedroom door. Witness Moreno was standing next to Witness Alatorre at the top of the staircase. Deputy Chinarian and Witness Jose Cuevas were standing behind Witness Alatorre. Witness [REDACTED] began to talk with Suspect Duran. They both talked about their military experiences and the rank they held. It appeared Witness [REDACTED] was attempting to build a rapport with Suspect Duran. At one point, Witness Moreno asked for someone to check on the estimated time of arrival of a CNT unit. Witness Alatorre told Deputy Chinarian, who was still standing behind him, to take his spot at the top of the staircase. Witness Alatorre told Deputy Chinarian he was now the lethal force option. Deputy Chinarian said he understood.

Witness Alatorre walked downstairs to locate Witness Parks. Witness Alatorre knew Witness Parks was trying to get a CNT unit to respond. When he found Witness Parks outside in front of the location, Witness Parks was talking to

someone on his cell phone. Witness Alatorre did not speak to Witness Parks. He walked back inside the location and stood on the staircase, behind Deputy Chinarian, who was standing at the top of the staircase.

Although Witness Alatorre was now unable to see what was occurring in the upstairs hallway, he could hear Witness [REDACTED] talking to Suspect Duran. At one point, Witness Alatorre heard the sound of a Taser being fired and cycled. Seconds later, he heard four to five gunshots. Witness Alatorre was unable to see the actual shooting.

Once the shooting subsided, an unknown deputy asked for fire department personnel to come and provide medical aide to Suspect Duran. Witness Alatorre walked outside and directed fire personnel inside. They had been staged outside and were ready to respond. Witness Alatorre estimated the fire department personnel were inside and treating Suspect Duran within several seconds after the shooting. When IAB investigators asked Witness Alatorre if he ever entered Suspect Duran's bedroom after the shooting, he said he did not.

Two scene photographs and a sketch of the scene were used during Witness Alatorre's interview [Exhibit J]. Witness Alatorre identified the weapon depicted in the photographs as the weapon he saw Suspect Duran holding. He utilized the sketch to show IAB investigators his position, and the positions of his fellow deputies and Suspect Duran during the incident. Witness Alatorre utilized a red pen to identify Suspect Duran's location by marking the sketch with a circle. He identified Witness Moreno's location with an "M" and Witness [REDACTED] location with an [REDACTED]. Witness Alatorre identified his location with an "X".

Deputy Jose Cuevas

On June 11, 2016, Witness Deputy Jose Cuevas was interviewed by Homicide Bureau Detectives Gary Sloan and Brandt House at the East Los Angeles Station. IAB Sergeants Paul Valle and Jeffrey Hamil were also present. Witness Cuevas was represented by Attorney Maureen Okwuosa during the interview.

Witness Cuevas was assigned to a one-person car, unit 26, during the day shift. When he heard a [REDACTED] disturbance call dispatched to Maywood units, he assigned himself as an assisting unit and responded to the location. While driving to the location, Witness Cuevas heard Witness Moreno on the [REDACTED] frequency instructing deputies to meet on 53rd Street and Corona Avenue before responding to the location.

When Witness Cuevas and the other assisting units arrived, Witness Moreno informed them about the history of the [REDACTED] and that Suspect Duran was an Army veteran suffering from PTSD. During this conversation, Witness Moreno formulated a tactical plan in the event they needed to contact Suspect Duran. Witness [REDACTED] was designated the less lethal force option with a Taser and

Witness Alatorre was designated to handle communications. Deputy Chinarian was the lethal force option and Witness Cuevas was to be toward the rear of the deputies.

While they were at the 53rd Street and Corona Avenue intersection, [REDACTED] (no further details) approached them and said she was afraid of Suspect Duran and that [REDACTED] could not get into their house. Witness Cuevas spoke with Witness [REDACTED] who drove from [REDACTED] to help her [REDACTED]. She asked Witness Cuevas to get Suspect Duran out of the house and when he told her they could not, she became upset. He attempted to explain to her their limitations as deputies and told her she needed to utilize the courts and eviction process. Witness [REDACTED] was not pleased with his advice and walked away angry.

At this point, Witness Parks arrived. After Witness Parks was briefed on the situation, he said a crime had not been committed, but he wanted to speak to the watch commander first. Fire department personnel were already on scene. They had been called to the location in the event Suspect Duran needed medical treatment. However, the fire department personnel could not assist Suspect Duran either. They too had been to the location before and were familiar with Suspect Duran. Witness Cuevas heard one of the fire department personnel say they were not going to allow his firemen to go inside the location to potentially get injured.

Witness Cuevas believed all deputy and fire department personnel were going to leave; however, Witness Cuevas heard a female screaming from inside the location. He saw Witness [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]) exit and say, "Hey, I need your help." Witness [REDACTED] said Witness [REDACTED] was being hit.

Witness Cuevas and his fellow deputies ran to the front door and entered the location. Witness [REDACTED] was the first to enter, followed by Witness Alatorre and Witness Moreno. Witness Cuevas followed Witness Moreno while Deputy Chinarian was behind him. While walking up the staircase, Witness Cuevas saw Witness [REDACTED] and her [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]) walking down the staircase. Witness [REDACTED] was screaming she had been hit. Although Witness [REDACTED] did not say anything, he appeared to be very upset. Witness Cuevas told them to exit the location and walk across the street with the rest of their [REDACTED].

Witness [REDACTED] was the first deputy to arrive at the top of the staircase. Witness Cuevas heard Witness [REDACTED] yell out to his fellow deputies Suspect Duran was armed with a knife. He heard Witness [REDACTED] say, "Hey, drop the knife. Drop the knife." Immediately thereafter, Witness Cuevas heard the sound of a Taser being fired and cycled. The Taser did not appear to be effective because Witness Cuevas could hear Suspect Duran talking, saying, "Hey, you shot me. Why did you shoot me?" Witness [REDACTED] told Suspect Duran he shot him

because he was armed with a knife. Witness [REDACTED] also told him they were there to help him and that he merely wanted to talk to him.

Witness Cuevas was unable to see this interaction since he was standing in the staircase. He was standing behind Deputy Chinarian, who was behind Witness Alatorre at the top of the staircase. Witness Cuevas continued to hear Witness [REDACTED] attempt to communicate with Suspect Duran and heard the repeated commands to drop the knife.

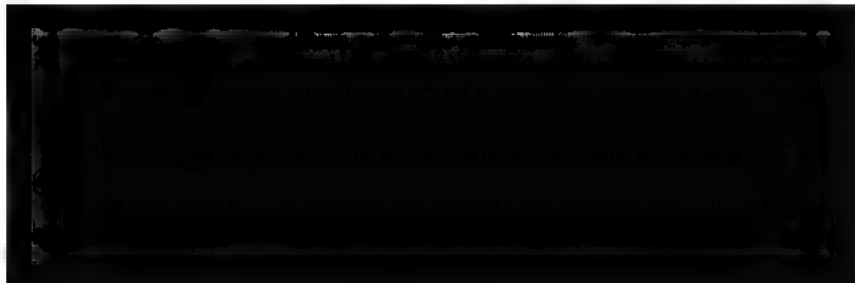
Witness Cuevas heard Witness Parks on the dispatch frequency asking if a CNT unit was available to respond to the location. Witness Alatorre walked down the staircase in order to assist Witness Parks in coordinating the response of the CNT unit. Deputy Chinarian stepped forward and took Witness Alatorre's position at the top of the staircase as the lethal force option. Witness Cuevas remained in the staircase, behind Deputy Chinarian, and assumed radio communications.

Witness [REDACTED] continued to converse with Suspect Duran, in order to keep him occupied while they waited for the CNT unit to arrive. Witness Moreno instructed Witness Cuevas to retrieve another Taser cartridge from her vehicle. Witness Cuevas exited the location, retrieved the cartridge, and returned to the staircase. The cartridge was passed ahead to Witness [REDACTED]

Witness [REDACTED] continued to converse with Suspect Duran and after nearly fifteen to twenty minutes, Witness Cuevas heard the sound of a Taser being shot and cycled. He also heard Witness [REDACTED] say, "Hey, I got him. I got him." Soon after, Witness [REDACTED] said, "Hey, he's coming with a knife." Witness Cuevas then heard four to five gunshots. He immediately communicated on the dispatch frequency that a shooting occurred and requested additional units to respond.

IAB Note: According to SCC dispatch recordings and timestamps, unit 26, Witness Cuevas, asked the SCC dispatcher for the duplex patch at 1430 hours, and informed her a shooting had occurred. The SCC dispatcher acknowledged his information and began coordinating responding units. Refer to radio traffic [Exhibit E/18].

IAB Note:



Personnel from the fire department, who had been staged outside of the location, were directed inside to render medical aid to Suspect Duran.

Sergeant Frank Parks

On June 11, 2016, Witness Sergeant Frank Parks was interviewed by Homicide Bureau Detectives Gary Sloan and Brandt House at the East Los Angeles Station. IAB Sergeants Paul Valle and Jeffrey Hamil were also present. Witness Parks was represented by Attorney Maureen Okwuosa during the interview.

Witness Parks was assigned as unit 21S, one of the field supervisors for the PM shift. When he began his shift, he was informed by Lieutenant Salinas, the watch commander, Witness Moreno was at the location on a [REDACTED] disturbance call. Lieutenant Salinas said a [REDACTED] was threatening to break down a door inside the location. He advised Witness Parks that deputies were there to merely keep the peace and to not become involved with the breaking down of the door.

Witness Parks responded to the location and contacted Witness Moreno. She informed him she briefed the deputies about the history of the [REDACTED] and formulated a tactical plan if they needed to make contact with Suspect Duran. She also informed him [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were inside the location, trying to break down a bedroom door with a crowbar. Another [REDACTED] approached Witness Parks and informed him they were going to use an axe to break down the rest of the door. Witness Parks told the [REDACTED] he would not allow them to use an axe because Suspect Duran could possibly take it away and use it against them.

Witness Parks was about to call Lieutenant Salinas when fire department personnel arrived. They were upset about being called to the location because they too had been dispatched on previous calls about Suspect Duran. They expressed they were not going to go inside the location.

Witness Parks walked away from the fire department personnel and was about to call Lieutenant Salinas when he heard a commotion coming from behind him. When he turned to look at what was occurring, he saw Witness Moreno and the deputies run into the location. Witness Parks immediately asked the fire department personnel not to leave because he was under the impression [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] got Suspect Duran out of the bedroom. Witness Parks asked the fire department personnel to stay in the event deputies contacted Suspect Duran and needed a gurney.

Witness Parks entered the location, but he could not go upstairs since there were deputies standing in the staircase. He remained downstairs. When [REDACTED] passed him, he believed he heard her say, "He hit me." Witness Moreno, who was upstairs with the other deputies, asked for an additional Taser cartridge. Witness Parks and another deputy ran to his vehicle, retrieved a

cartridge, and handed it to the deputy. The deputy quickly ran back inside the location with the cartridge. When Witness Parks walked back inside the location, he heard Witness [REDACTED] talking to Suspect Duran. Witness Moreno asked Witness Parks if he could call for a CNT unit to respond. Witness Parks exited the location, communicated on his portable radio, and asked the SCC dispatcher for a CNT unit to respond. The dispatcher informed him East Los Angeles Station desk personnel would call the unit.

When Witness Parks went back inside, he continued to hear a dialogue between deputies and Suspect Duran. He heard several commands for Suspect Duran to drop the knife. Witness Moreno asked for an estimated time arrival for the CNT unit. Witness Parks exited again and made a phone call to East Los Angeles Station and spoke to unit 20BS, Sergeant Hernandez and Deputy Thomas Aragon, who was a member of the United States Marine Corps. Witness Parks was searching for anyone who could help them while they waited for a CNT unit.

IAB Note: According to SCC dispatch recordings and timestamps, unit 21S, Witness Parks, asked the SCC dispatcher at 1414 hours, for a CNT unit to respond to the location. The SCC dispatcher acknowledged his request. At 1415 hours, the SCC dispatcher advised 21S that East Los Angeles Station desk personnel were calling headquarters for a CNT unit. Refer to radio traffic [Exhibit E/15-16].

Witness Parks walked back inside the location and heard a commotion from upstairs, then heard approximately four gunshots. Immediately thereafter, he heard someone broadcast on the dispatch frequency a shooting had occurred. Sometime afterwards, Witness Parks was asked to transport Witness [REDACTED] and Deputy Chinarian to the station.

Deputy Daniel Gonzalez

On May 3, 2019, Witness Deputy Daniel Gonzalez was interviewed by IAB Sergeant Paul Valle at the IAB office.

Witness Gonzalez stated he was assigned as unit 28T on June 11, 2016, during the PM shift. He recalled responding to a call for service at the location. He and his fellow deputies met Witness Moreno south of the location in order to plan their response. He recalled Witness Moreno formulating a tactical plan in the event they needed to contact Suspect Duran.

When IAB investigators asked Witness Gonzalez if Witness Moreno assigned him a duty and or position as part of the tactical plan. He said he was, but he could not recall what it was. When IAB investigators asked him if was possible Witness Moreno assigned him to retrieve the ballistic shield, he said it was

possible since he is large in stature and is normally assigned to the shield in similar calls.

IAB Note: During Witness Moreno's interview, she mentioned Witness Gonzalez was at the location and he was assigned to have the ballistic shield as part of her tactical plan.

Witness Gonzalez said he never entered the location. He was relieved before anyone entered. At the time he was relieved, he was ending a sixteen hour shift and was directed to leave the scene.

IAB Note: According to the Incident Details Report, Witness Gonzalez indicated he left the scene at 1410 hours [Exhibit A, page 11]. According to SCC dispatch recordings and timestamps, the shooting occurred at 1430 hours.

SUSPECT STATEMENT

Jesus Duran (deceased)

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

Radio Traffic Review

The following is a review of the recorded radio traffic from the dispatch and [REDACTED] frequencies [Exhibit E/2-31]. Hereafter, the SCC dispatcher will be referenced as the PRD (Public Response Dispatcher).

1237: DISPATCH: The PRD voiced the call (tag #124) to units and informed them to be aware of [REDACTED] associated with address.

1238: [REDACTED] Unit 20S (Witness Moreno) asked unit 28T (Witness Alatorre) to pick a location to meet.

1241: [REDACTED] Witness Moreno asked East Los Angeles Station (ELA) desk personnel for the phone number to the informant (Witness [REDACTED]). [REDACTED] Witness Moreno requested the number to be sent to her MDC.

1244: DISPATCH: Unit 28T (Witness Gonzalez) advised he arrived at the call. The PRD acknowledged.

1251: DISPATCH: Witness Moreno advised she arrived at the call. The PRD acknowledged.

1302: DISPATCH: Witness Alatorre asked the PRD if there was a S918 (MET) unit available to respond to location. The PRD said they were checking.

1303: DISPATCH: The PRD asked if there was any S918 unit available to switch to the ELA frequency. There was no response.

1304: DISPATCH: The PRD asked if any S918 unit was on the ELA frequency. There was no response. The PRD advised Witness Alatorre no unit responded to his request. Witness Alatorre acknowledged.

1342: DISPATCH: Witness Alatorre requested fire department personnel respond to the location regarding a [REDACTED]. The PRD acknowledged.

1343: [REDACTED] Witness Moreno asked if unit 21S (Witness Parks) was on the frequency. He advised her he was nearly there, within seconds. She acknowledged. An unknown person asked if Witness Moreno was still on the [REDACTED] frequency. She did not respond.

1344: DISPATCH: The PRD advised Witness Moreno fire department personnel were responding to location. She acknowledged.

1414: DISPATCH: Witness Parks requested if a CNT unit was available to respond to location. The PRD asked him if there was a call associated with his request. He advised the PRD he was at a call where an armed suspect with a knife was locked in a bedroom, and they were trying to talk him out of the room. The PRD acknowledged and asked all units to standby.

1415: DISPATCH: The PRD advised Witness Parks that ELA desk personnel would call headquarters for a CNT unit. Witness Parks acknowledged.

1424: DISPATCH: Witness Parks asked the PRD for ELA Sergeant Hernandez 20BS to switch to the [REDACTED] frequency. The PRD voiced his request.

1430: DISPATCH: Unit 26 (Witness Cuevas) requested the patch. Once the PRD cleared the frequency and opened the patch, Witness Cuevas voiced [REDACTED] advising a shooting occurred at the location and that several units and two sergeants were already on scene. The PRD acknowledged the information and began to coordinate responding units. Several ELA units advised they were responding to the location, including an unspecified Aero Bureau unit.

1431: DISPATCH: An unspecified unit informed the PRD all units were accounted for. Multiple ELA units informed the PRD they were responding [REDACTED] to the location.

1433: DISPATCH: Unit 23 advised he was responding [REDACTED] regarding the deputy involved shooting. The PRD acknowledged.

1434: DISPATCH: The PRD advised all ELA units that per the watch commander, only three units were authorized to respond [REDACTED] to the location. Units 20B1, 20BS, and 23A/Days responded to the request and were authorized to respond [REDACTED]. The PRD told all other units to shut down any other [REDACTED] responses per the watch commander. The PRD asked for the location of the command post.

1435: DISPATCH: Unit 28T advised the command post would be located at the Maywood City Hall. The PRD acknowledged and asked if there was any unit to advise the watch commander if the suspect was hit. An unspecified unit advised that fire department personnel were on scene and treating the suspect. The PRD acknowledged.

1437: DISPATCH: Unit 27T advised he was responding [REDACTED] to Maywood City Hall to assist. The PRD acknowledged.

1437: DISPATCH: The PRD asked for any unit to advise the watch commander if the suspect was still barricaded or being detained. Unit 20B2 advised the suspect was being placed in the ambulance and being prepared to be transported to the hospital. ELA units begin to coordinate a containment of the scene and establish a command post.

1440: [REDACTED] An unspecified unit asked if unit 27T/PMS [REDACTED] was on the frequency.

1440: DISPATCH: Units coordinate a containment.

1441: DISPATCH: Units coordinate a containment.

1442: DISPATCH: Units coordinate a containment.

1443: DISPATCH: Units coordinate a containment.

1446: [REDACTED] An unspecified unit communicated with an ELA desk personnel about the use of a van for transporting witnesses.

1447: DISPATCH: An unspecified unit asked the PRD for a tactical frequency. The PRD advised the unit frequency [REDACTED] was ready for their use. The unit requested all ELA units who were assigned to the incident, switch to [REDACTED]. The PRD repeated the request and cleared the patch and frequency at 1449 hours.